Croxton, David

From: Croxton, Dave

Sent: Wednesday, March 11, 2015 8:49 AM
To: Woodruff, Leigh; Wu, Jennifer
Subject: RE: ICL Petition re SRHC TMDL

I think that is right. Let's do a small group discussion first and then expand to HQ later. For ORC, let's get JB or Endre.

(b) 5: Deliberative Process

From: Woodruff, Leigh

Sent: Tuesday, March 10, 2015 3:40 PM

To: Croxton, Dave; Wu, Jennifer

Subject: FW: ICL Petition re SRHC TMDL

It would probably help if I sent this to the right address ...

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PH: 208-378-5774 Fax: 208-378-5744

From: Woodruff, Leigh

Sent: Tuesday, March 10, 2015 4:39 PM

To: Woodruff, Leigh **Cc:** Wu, Jennifer

Subject: RE: ICL Petition re SRHC TMDL

Dave -

Should we convene a small discussion with Jenny, Cara (or other attorney), to discuss initial strategy on how to engage on this?

My sense is that it is unclear what legal obligation we really have. It would be good to get that from ORC, OGC.

(b) (5) Deliberative Process

I will share the petition with IDEQ (Jenny – OR?), but we may also want

to discuss it with them informally, to get a sense of their interest in taking it on.

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From: Woodruff, Leigh

Sent: Tuesday, March 10, 2015 12:46 PM **To:** Wu, Jennifer; Mann, Laurie; Carlin, Jayne **Cc:** Croxton, Dave; Monschein, Eric; Havard, James

Subject: FW: ICL Petition re SRHC TMDL

FYI -

Thought you would be interested to know we (Gina McCarthy, Dennis McLerran, R10 RA) received a petition to disapprove and re-issue the Snake River-Hells Canyon nutrient TMDL, a joint ID/OR TMDL from 2004. The TMDL has been subject of controversy for many years, in large part due to issues which arose in the Lower Boise TMDL, a tributary to the Snake River.

A major criticism of the SRHC TMDL has been the seasonal nature (May – Sept) of the nutrient target. Recent data indicates impairment at other times of the year, and in 2012 EPA added sections of the Snake River to Oregon's list in the fall, winter and spring, for exceedances of the States chlorophyll a criteria. I am not aware of any plans at this point by either State to modify the existing TMDL. Leigh

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PH: 208-378-5774 Fax: 208-378-5744 From: Werntz, James

Sent: Monday, March 09, 2015 3:10 PM

To: Stewart, William C.; Woodruff, Leigh; Croxton, Dave **Cc:** Opalski, Dan; Psyk, Christine; Steiner-Riley, Cara

Subject: FW: ICL Petition re SRHC TMDL

This just in...

James H. Werntz Director, EPA-Idaho Operations 950 W. Bannock Street, Suite 900 Boise, Idaho 83702 (208) 378-5743

From: Justin Hayes [mailto:jhayes@idahoconservation.org]

Sent: Monday, March 09, 2015 3:00 PM

To: Werntz, James

Subject: ICL Petition re SRHC TMDL

Jim - We just sent the attached petition to EPA - it asks the EPA to review and revise the 2004 SRHC TMDL.

You are on the CC list, so I thought that I'd email it rather than mail it.

Let me know if you have any questions.

- Justin

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